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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Articulation

Dear Editor:
Thank you, S. Neil Rasband, for your excellent article on the stultifying and growth-inhibiting environment created when risk and choice have been eliminated (or greatly reduced). I, too, have heard the argument by both faculty and students that if we don't like the rules, we shouldn't have come to BYU — which misses the whole point. Thank you for articulating so well what I have been trying to say.

Karen Horton
Irvine, Calif.

Simply said

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Regarding Neil Rasband's viewpoint from Wednesday, Bravo.

Hilary Dalton
Provo

Principally wrong

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NEWS DIGEST

Compiled from staff and news service reports.

Hostage's photos, letters found by police

MILAN, Italy — Police said Sunday that a Lebanese woman arrested in Milan planned to deliver photographs of American hostages to an Italian man who has been linked to arms scandals and the Italian secret service.

The man, Aldo Anghessa, was questioned by police after they found the photos and a letter from a hostage hidden in a false bottom of the woman's suitcase Thursday, authorities said. She said Anghessa was to receive them, they reported.

Fortunato Finoli, deputy director of Milan's police anti-terrorist unit, refused to say what Anghessa told police or whom he represented. The Italian was released after questioning.

The Lebanese woman, identified as Aline Ibrahim Rizkallah, 36, was charged with carrying \$1,000 in counterfeit U.S. bills and 50 grams of heroin, police said. She was in jail in Milan.

The Rome daily *La Repubblica* said Anghessa had ties to the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration. The U.S. Embassy refused comment on the report.

Police were still checking Sunday to see if the photographs of Terry Anderson, Alann Steen and Thomas Sutherland were originals, said Finoli.

Police also asked U.S. authorities for samples of Steen's handwriting to authenticate the letter bearing his name, Finoli said by telephone.

Hurricane Joan's death toll tops 100

MANAGUA, Nicaragua — Hurricane Joan killed at least 50 people and left 300,000 homeless in its rampage across Nicaragua, officials said Sunday. Rain drenched the country while the government tried to organize rescue efforts and restore communications.

The storm left another 21 people dead in Costa Rica and four dead in Panama, bringing the death toll for its six-day trip across the Caribbean to at least 111.

More than 150 people were missing.

Joan slowly weakened into a tropical storm over land but strengthened again when it reached the Pacific. No longer an Atlantic hurricane, it was given a new name in the sequence of this year's Pacific storms — Tropical Storm Miriam.

At 2 p.m. EDT, Miriam was about 95 miles southeast of San Salvador, with maximum sustained winds of about 50 mph, according to the National Hurricane Center in Miami.

Utah deer hunters number 200,000-plus

Hunter safety courses appeared to be paying off as 14- and 15-year-olds joined the Utah deer hunt for the first time and law enforcement officials noted one of the quietest hunt openers in memory.

An estimated 200,000-plus hunters took to the hills Saturday amid sunny skies and balmy fall temperatures in search of deer herds said by state wildlife officials to be at record high numbers.

The only death associated with the hunt since it opened was a 26-year-old Salt Lake County woman who was hunting with her husband and brother-in-law in southeastern Utah. She died in her sleep from an apparent seizure.

Donald Wickham, 34, found his wife, Tanya, dead about 7:30 a.m. Saturday, the San Juan County sheriff's office said. The couple had been camping in the Gold Basin area of the La Sal Mountains.

A trailer house exploded and burned the same morning in Millard County, but all the occupants were out hunting. The trailer had been parked at an old homestead west of Millard. The owner, Richard Sorenson of Richfield, two other adults and one child were away from the camp at the time.

Hostage's kidnappers set their demands

BEIRUT, Lebanon — Kidnappers holding American hostages announced five demands for their release Sunday and threatened to make the United States pay a price that "would reflect adversely" on the captives' fate if the demands were not met.

It was the second threatening statement in three days from the pro-Iranian Islamic Jihad.

The threat came in a three-page typewritten statement in Arabic signed by Islamic Jihad, or holy war, which holds American journalist Terry A. Anderson and educator Thomas Sutherland.

It was delivered in a sealed envelope to the independent newspaper An-Nahar. A picture of Anderson was later delivered to a Western news agency in Beirut — the kidnappers' normal method of authenticating statements.

"In case of failure to meet these demands and continued support of Israel's aggression against our people the United States will pay the price very soon. This price will reflect adversely on the fate of the hostages we hold," the statement said.

Atlantis readied for November launch

CAPE CANAVERAL — Atlantis took a big step toward the second post-Challenger space shuttle flight when workers moved it into an assembly building to prepare for next month's launch with a secret military satellite.

A tractor Saturday night towed the 85-ton space ship the 450 feet from a processing building where it had been undergoing modifications for several months.

In the assembly building over the next several days, Atlantis will be joined with its two solid fuel booster rockets and large external fuel tank. In about a week, it will be transported to launch pad 39B.

NASA is aiming for a late-November launch, but a date won't be set until a two-day flight readiness review is completed on Nov. 10.

The flight will mark the third time in 27 launches that a classified Defense Department payload will be carried on a shuttle. As a result, a shroud of secrecy is being thrown over most information about it, including the identity of the satellite, believed to be an intelligence spacecraft.

A crew of five astronauts will fly the mission.

WEATHER

SLC/Provo

Monday: Mostly sunny skies are expected with temperatures remaining a little warmer than the seasonal norms. Highs will be in the upper 70s and lows in the mid-40s. Sunrise: 7:49 a.m. Sunset: 6:35 p.m.



Mostly Sunny

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Quote of the day:

"Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets."

—Matthew 7:12

Room-sized to pin-sized SDI miniaturization reduced cost

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — John B. Peller, a senior engineer on Rockwell International's program to develop a space-based anti-missile system, held between two fingers a tiny computer that 20 years ago would have taken up a whole room.

"We feel that we will have achieved success when we can bring all the hardware in the program in our tie tacks," said Peller, a Rockwell vice president in charge of the company's program to develop space-based weapons designed to smash enemy missiles.

In dozens of interviews and briefings, engineers involved in the Strategic Defense Initiative, popularly known as Star Wars, say miniaturization is a key reason they have been able to cut the estimated cost of deploying the first phase of such a system to \$69 billion, down from an earlier forecast of \$115 billion.

Reagan administration officials say that SDI research, funded at \$4.1 billion for fiscal 1989, is designed to allow a decision in the mid-1990s on whether to fully develop a space-based defensive system, with deployment in the late 1990's or early 21st century.

Among the cost and size reductions cited by Peller were an inertial measurement unit down from 40 pounds and \$70,000 to six ounces and \$8,000, and a rocket thruster down from 19 pounds and \$150,000 in the 1960's to one-tenth of a pound and \$20,000 today. Each reduction in size and weight also cuts the cost of launching the system, according to Peller and other engineers.

A \$69 billion program may be easier to sell than one costing twice that, but the drop in the estimated price has not calmed Capitol Hill fears that Star Wars will not work.

Rep. John M. Spratt, D-S.C., of the House Armed Services Committee, said he was unsure that "costs can be cut by half without eroding performance."

Furthermore, deployment of space-based defenses

would break the 1972 Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty, and unless it is part of an arms control funleash a new round in the arms race as the superpowers hurried to deploy defensive as well as offensive weapons.

New technologies and modern means of mass producing electronics make such a shift in the arms race almost inevitable, said Lowell Wood, a senior weapons physicist at the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory in Livermore, Calif.

"It is a nascent technology versus a mature technology," said Wood, predicting rapid advances in defensive systems and slower progress in offensive systems.

Additionally, Soviet leader Mikhail S. Gorbachev has acknowledged that the Soviets are working on a parallel program. Pentagon analysts say the Soviets are spending billion of rubles annually on anti-missile defenses, and are ahead in such areas as laser development.

After President Reagan launched SDI in March 1983, public debate centered on whether exotic defenses such as lasers could form a defensive umbrella to protect the continental United States from Soviet missiles.

The \$69 million system outlined by scientists and engineers is considerably less ambitious, and has the goal of knocking down about 30 percent of the Soviets' more than 10,000 warheads, denying them the certainty of being able to destroy the U.S. nuclear arsenal in a "bolt from the blue" attack.

Scientists and engineers at the national weapons laboratories, Rockwell and other defense contractors are hard at work developing a two-layer system that would include anti-missile missiles based on the ground and others parked aboard satellites in low orbit.

Edward Teller, known as the father of the hydrogen bomb and the atomic physicist credited with planting the seed of SDI in Reagan's mind, was initially skeptical of so-called "kinetic kill vehicles" that destroy warheads by running into them.



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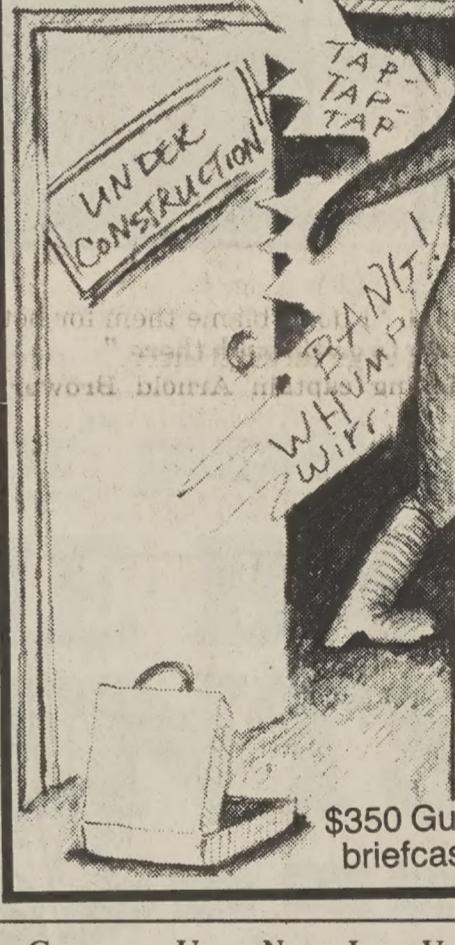
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Americans with disabilities make up the largest minority

ANNLEIGH KAY MCMANIS
cial to the Universe

America's largest minority is the handicapped. According to the latest U.S. Census Bureau figures there are 37,000,000 people in our country with physical disabilities. This figure compares with approximately 30,000 blacks and 17,000,000 Hispanics. The number of Americans with disabilities is expected to increase.

ri Jensen, adviser for BYU Disabled Student Support said that because of available medical technology we are not dying, but are learning to live with disabilities.

another reason, said Jensen, is that the technology is out there to help people overcome the physical problems and the functional problems of a disability.

According to an article in May 1985 edition of USA Today another reason for the expected increase in disabled people is the middle-class American's abuse of alcohol and drugs. This abuse causes them to be involved in more accidents. Also, more babies are being born with developmental disabilities because of increased abuse of such substances.

Jensen defined "handicapped" as "a loss of physical ability with mobility, hearing or visual performance, or a learning disability." A verifiable learning disability, Jensen said, is when something becomes dysfunctional, when it constantly impedes academic progress and exhibition of knowledge.

The chances of coming in contact with a disabled individual are great. "There are so many possibilities," said Jensen. "There is the possibility of you yourself incurring a disability. There is a possibility of a family member or a friend incurring a disability," she said.

There is also the informal contact such as going to the grocery store, or going anywhere in the community.

President George Bush in a 1985 speech on the technological explosion taking place in America said, "Technological advances will be completely altering the character of the workplace and making the full participation of the handicapped easier and easier. We have only expanded our consciousness to be prepared to accept this new world. The only real stumbling block is the

general attitude toward the disabled has greatly improved. In the early 1900s there was a city ordinance in Chicago that stated "No unsightly, deformed or maimed person can appear on the public thoroughfares." The ordinance was repealed in the 1970s.

"Much has been done in the recent years to alleviate physical barriers. The federal regulation has mandated things such as ramps and curb cuts and elevators and things to make buildings accessible," said Jensen. "But, it is hard to federally mandate changes in attitude."

Jensen said that many people perhaps wonder how they can assist a disabled student who appears to be struggling in some way. "Simply offer assistance or ask them if there is anything they need help with," she said.

Jensen works with approximately 100 disabled students. She also said that the percentage of college students with learning disabilities can be estimated as high as 15 percent.

Jensen believes that BYU as an institution makes an effort to make the student body aware of the handicapped.

She has seen it as a non-disabled student and then, having acquired a disability, as a disabled person.

"BYU does not receive federal funds as a private religious institution," she said. "Therefore, it does not mandatorily have to comply with the accessibility legislation that has been federally mandated . . . and yet BYU voluntarily complies with that on an ethical basis."

Jensen said that BYU is equal with others in providing physical accommodations for the disabled. "I feel we are superlative in the ethical commitment in services to all mankind, and the ethical commitment to not only allow these students access to an education, but to a social environment, to spiritual growth and to optimal physical well-being which includes every area of the balanced development of the individual."

A brochure published by Disabled Student Support states that the university has no separate admission requirements for handicapped students. Disabled students are expected to meet all general education, university and major course requirements.

"BYU goes beyond making sure handicapped students can hear a lecture or read a text book. They make sure that the students' disability is not impeding in any area of their life; just as that is the goal for any student who attends the university," said Jensen.

Whales still struggling in Alaska

Associated Press

BARROW, Alaska — Two young whales trapped by ice balked Sunday following a narrow escape route to the water that was being carved by chain saws by Eskimos who ordinarily hunt whales.

National Guard helicopter hammed at the ice with a five-ton chunk of concrete, but the whales were more than three miles from open water, in a massive ice ridge in between a wind shift threatening to push around them and trap them further.

Rescuers said that even if everything went as planned, it would be at Wednesday night before they'd get the whales as far as the

ice. While high-technology equipment had been brought into Barrow during the week, Eskimos using chain saws and backhoes made the most progress freeing the California gray whales in a tiny breathing hole.

About two dozen natives hacked 34 breathing holes Saturday, for a total of 60 holes extending more than a mile from where three whales had been stranded by moving ice about two weeks ago before they could migrate south.

The smallest and youngest of the whales, named Bone, disappeared last night and was presumed dead. Just as the tedious hole-cutting hit a stride, the whales balked, advanced

only a few hundred feet past a large opening where they spent Friday night and most of Saturday.

Rescuers said they feared the whales were spooked by an underwater shoal.

North Slope Borough biologist Geoff Carroll said most of the water in the area is about 20 feet deep, compared to only 12 or 13 feet of water in the shoal.

"You figure two feet of ice and five feet of whale, and that doesn't leave them too much room to swim," Carroll said. "I don't blame them for not wanting to go through there."

Whaling captain Arnold Brower, whose crew used donated chain saws

to help free the animals, was frustrated by the whales' reluctance.

"If we move them, then I'll call it progress," Brower said, leaning down to push the snout of a surfacing whale in the direction he wanted it to go.

Ron Morris, a biologist with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, said sonar would be used to see if there is an easy way around the shoal.

The surviving whales appeared to be healthy, immature whales estimated at 27 to 35 feet long, said David Withrow of the Marine Mammal Institute in Seattle. He said one apparently was a yearling and the other was 2 to 3 years old.

On Oct. 10, Tony Lee Burr, 15, was struck from behind and killed while skateboarding on an east side street.

Tuesday morning, William E. Nacomuy, 7, was struck while riding his skateboard to school.

Nacomuy remains in serious condition at Primary Children's Medical Center.

"We've tried to caution kids to use skateboards in designated areas; that is anywhere but the roads," he said.

However, there are no laws that specifically prohibit skateboards from being used on public roads.

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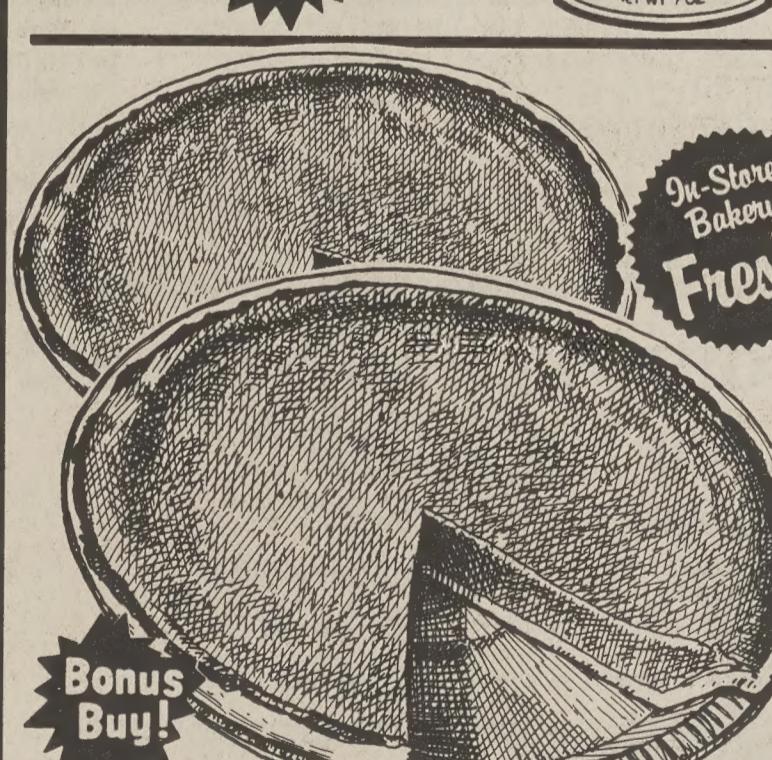
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Former photographer, pilot**Blind student will help Veterans**By HISAYOSHI IWAMITSU
Senior Reporter

He can laugh as you can laugh. He can walk as you can walk. He can talk as you can talk. He can do everything you can do. But he cannot see what you can see.

Chris Velasques, from Lima, Ohio, is a 45-year-old senior student at BYU. "I am an old BYU student," he said laughing.

He will be graduating from the uni-

versity with a double major — international relations and history — in April, 1989.

"I had an intention of going to BYU Law School after graduating. But I have been offered a job to help other blind veterans," he said.

His starting salary will be between \$35,000 and \$40,000, he said. "The organization (to help blind veterans) is just waiting for me to graduate from BYU."

According to Velasques, the num-

ber of blind veterans of three major wars — World War II, the Korean War and the Vietnam War — is approximately 200,000, most of them are still sitting around, doing nothing, said Velasques.

"The reason they (the organization for blind veterans) are waiting for me is that I can be their example," he said.

"Even though I have taken seven years to receive two undergraduate degrees, I will make it. If I can do that, other blind veterans can also do whatever they want to," Velasques said.

Velasques was not born blind. He lost his sight in 1976 when he was 33 years old and had almost completed his 14-year navy service.

"After retiring from the Navy, I planned on opening a photo studio in Lima, Ohio. I wanted to take care of my parents," he said.

But a tumor located between two optical nerves totally impaired his sight and destroyed his dream, said Velasques.

His life turned from hope to despair. "I was having a difficult time accepting the fact that I would not be able to see anything anymore," Velasques said.

"I dearly loved to fly, participate in athletics and drive a car," he said.

Two years before he lost his sight he drove to San Diego and Mexico City, a 1,900-mile drive from Ohio.

He stayed in Mexico for 26 days, took many pictures, cleaned his clothes and drove to Florida, a 2,100-mile drive from Mexico City. But all of a sudden, he had to give it up.

Even though he lost his sight, he continued playing golf and baseball and participating in Judo and Karate, "but I couldn't do it at all," he said.

He tried to run several times, "but I couldn't even take a step."

"I was so mad. Why me?" he said.

Velasques was in the depth of despair. Even though he got up in the early morning, he was still in darkness, which was never ever going to be swept away again.

Sitting on the couch or occasionally lying down on the lawn, he asked the same question again and again, "What am I going to do?" He was about to turn 38 years old.

He was baptized a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in 1979. He is married and is a father of three daughters.

"I was so sorry for myself," he said, "I couldn't think anything."

One day, his father who could not bear seeing his son such low spirits told Velasques, "Go to the water trough!"

Velasques said he did not understand what his father's intention was.

"Dad told me, 'Put your finger in the water trough and pull it out!'

"My son, how long did that hole stay in the water?"

"Dad, that hole did not last at all. As soon as I pulled my finger out, that hole was filled up again."

"My son, that is how long your life on the earth is going to be. So, you better stop feeling sorry for yourself and get to work."

In 1982, Velasques registered at a community college in San Diego. It has been 20 years since he graduated from high school.

In 1982, he graduated from the college with 3.7 grade point average and transferred to BYU.

"I love BYU students. I can ask anyone the direction or any kind of assistance," Velasques said.

One day, during class break, he was standing in front of the John A. Widtsoe Building. He needed to go to the N. Eldon Tanner Building. Just then, one girl who was coming from the BYU Bookstore stopped and asked him, "May I help you?"

"Would you direct me to the Tanner building?"

"It is the other end of campus. I will take you," she said.

"Wait a minute. You will be late for the class."

"No. I have plenty of time," she said.

When she knew that Velasques wanted to go to the Tanner building, even though she had a class starting in five minutes at the Knight Mangum Building, she took him all the way to the Tanner building.

"I am very sure that she was late for her next class. But you know . . . that is the BYU student," he said.

"I lost my sight, but I got more than that. I know that God has been looking after me," Velasques said.

He was baptized a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in 1979. He is married and is a father of three daughters.

Chris Velasques, a blind student from Lima, Ohio, majoring in international relations and history, walks through campus.

Universe photo by Scott Rust

Christian Science Monitor

BOSTON — Peggy Pinder is a lawyer who frequently flies around the country on her cases. She is blind. Because of that, she says, she is often ordered to preboard against her wishes, subjected to overzealous and unnecessary attention by flight attendants, and made to change seats. One day in late March, while on a Midway Airline flight, she refused to move. And got arrested.

To the airlines, these are issues of safety and public convenience. To some blind people, they are symbols of the larger problems of discrimination and paternalistic thinking that they encounter daily. And they're ready to go to the mat over it. Since 1978, members of the National Federation of the Blind have picketed, filed lawsuits and negotiated with airlines. In the last three years, an average of one blind person a month has been arrested or removed from a plane, according to Pinder, who, as a vice president of the federation, keeps track of such things. "What we've said all along is we want to be defined out of the category of handicapped passenger who must be subjected to all this special and unnecessary treatment," she said, speaking by telephone from her home in Grinnell, Iowa. "Don't assume we don't know anything," she said.

Where the two groups lock horns is over the policy many airlines have of not seating blind or other disabled people in emergency exit rows, because they don't want them to impede the exit of other passengers during an emergency.

But Pinder was not sitting in an exit row; she was asked to move closer to one. Sandra Allen, director of Midway's corporate communications, said that her airline seats handicapped passengers, including the blind, in the front row of the cabin because those seats are closest to a floor-level emergency door. "We think we can help the blind and handicapped if they're close to our personnel."

The fears behind it, she says, are unfounded. "They think we're incapable of moving. They think we'll impede emergency evacuation. There's no evidence of that, and there's evidence to the contrary that a blind person can perfectly well get out in acceptable time."

In some cases, says Pinder, being blind would be an advantage. "If the cabin is completely filled with

smoke, I'm going to be more likely to know what to do because I'm used to operating without visual clues."

The Federal Aviation Administration has no regulation regarding where blind or handicapped people should be seated, but it recommends that they not be seated in exit rows and leaves it up to the discretion of the airlines, says spokesman Fred Farrar.

"It's an irrational rule," says Mary Jane Owen, who is blind and the director of Disability Focus Inc., a nonprofit organization that promotes a disability perspective on social policy in Washington, D.C. "We don't know who's going to panic and who's going to be cool."

"I think the federation is a bunch of militant kooks. The laws (on airplanes) are for the protection of the public."

— Jeffrey Turner
a blind computer programmer
in Boston

But she joins others in saying that perhaps the activists are not choosing their battles wisely. "I think (the exit-row seat) is a rigid symbol. And personally, I don't have time to be put off a plane."

"I think the federation is a bunch of militant kooks," says Jeffrey Turner, a blind computer programmer/analyst in Boston. "The laws (on airplanes) are for the protection of the public."

Turner says that every blind person has different needs for assistance. "Even if one individual is totally independent and able to fend for himself, there's someone else who appreciates the help a lot."

The wranglings with the airlines are only one aspect of the fight that blind people are having in their reach toward inclusion as full members of society.

Unemployment is a major problem. Seventy percent of blind people are unemployed. "If any other group had that kind of unemployment rate, you'd have a terrible scream," said Kenneth Jernigan, past president of the National Federation of the

Blind. Until recently, the blind worked in "sheltered shops," government or privately run organizations set up to provide employment for the blind. They were paid less than minimum wage to make such things as helmet liners, mattresses and uniforms.

Some say these agencies have a vested interest in keeping blind people dependent. Owens would like to see more money allocated toward rehabilitation.

"There have got to be major changes made," she said. "As things are now, we're throwing away lots of money on some programs. I don't want to see them thrown out, there'd be too much hardship for some people. But we've got to change it."

Many of those blind people who do work are breaking into jobs that had been considered only for the sighted: computers, law, health care and teaching. There are two Ph.D. candidates in biochemistry. "Every time we find something that a blind person can do, we find a blind person doing it," says Jernigan.

To change perceptions, Pinder and other blind speakers go into Rotary Clubs, women's clubs and elementary schools. "I talk to kids as an articulate and self-sufficient adult, show them that we are part of their world. One way you change the world is by talking to people around you in your community. The other way is by changing yourself, knowing what you can do and projecting with all the people that you deal with that they can be comfortable with a blind person."

Owen says she's found children very receptive to learning about the disabled. "When I first lost my sight, I became fascinated with all that I was learning about overhangs and open doors. My adult friends were frightened, but the kids loved it, going out with my cane, learning to listen to echoes."

While the blind may be starting to break barriers in employment and perceptions, the battle with the airlines is not over yet. The federation has offered to give talks in airline training programs to help personnel understand the needs and capabilities of the blind. Few have taken them up on it, says Jernigan.

And the FAA, spokesman Farrar says, is in the early stages of a possible proposed regulation that would bar handicapped people from emergency exit rows.

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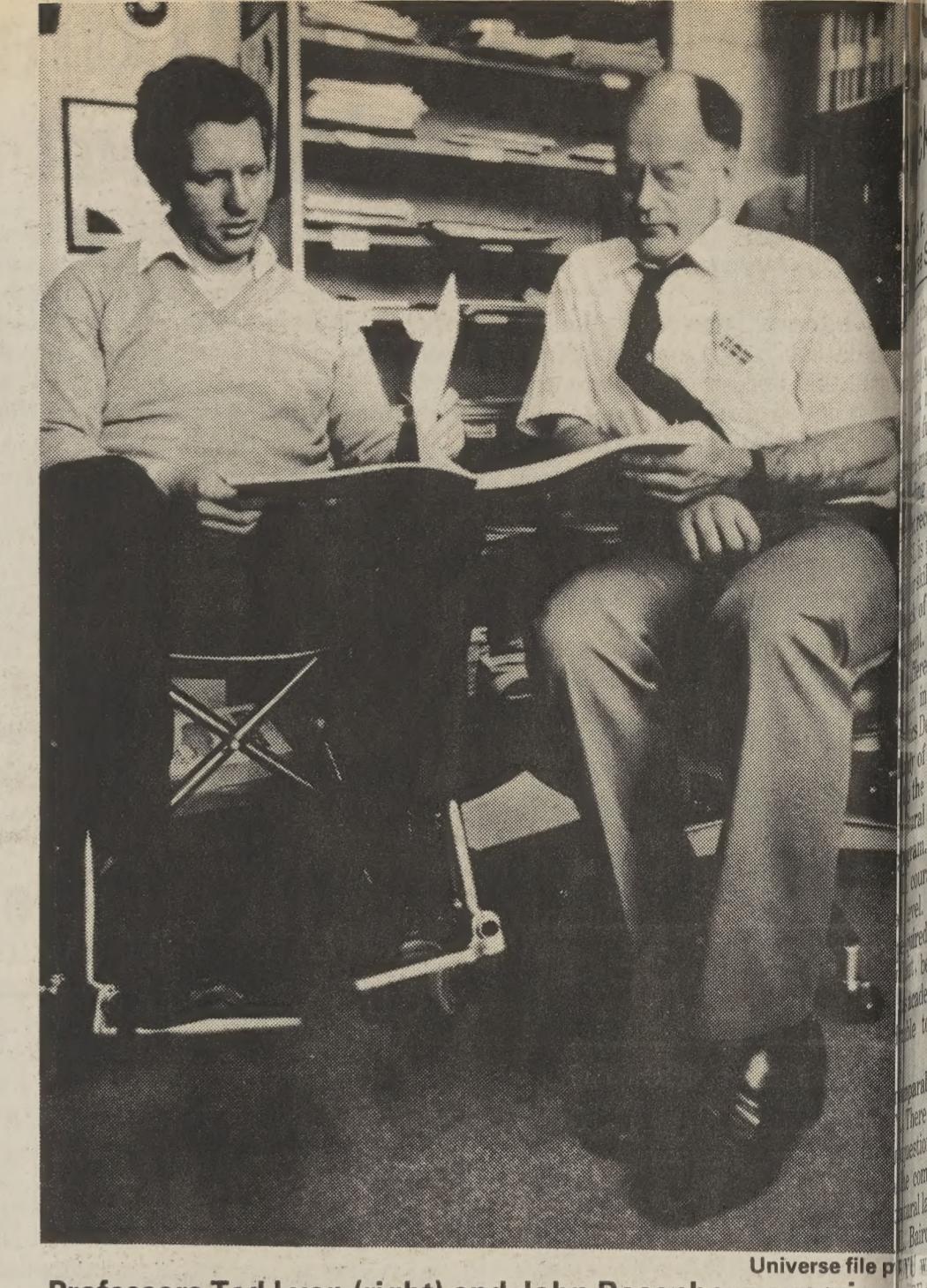
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Professors Ted Lyon (right) and John Rosenberg experience handicaps during Handicap Awareness Week last year.

Support is available for disabled students

By ADRIAN GOSTICK
Lifestyle Editor

Public education is taken for granted by most Americans, but it was only a few decades ago that disabled individuals had to fight ignorance and fear to attend school with their peers.

In the mid-1970s Congress passed a law requiring schools to accommodate the handicapped in regular classroom settings.

Shauna Raby is the Special Education Coordinator at Canyon Crest Elementary School. She said the most important aspect of a handicapped student's early education is the feeling of acceptance.

"There's teasing at this age because the others realize they are different," said Raby. "We do a lot of friendships with the students and teachers to increase awareness."

Teri Jensen is the adviser for BYU's Disabled Student Support. According to her, BYU is doing all it can to accommodate physically disabled students.

"I think, generally speaking, there are still biases and barriers that prevent a person with a disability being accepted into society," she said. "Very often it is very difficult to tell if a person is disabled. It is the standard that prevents the disabled from fitting in, it is the standard that needs to change."

BYU bends no rules to admit physically handicapped students into the university. According to Jensen, the students have to pass every admission requirement BYU has.

What BYU does do is help disabled students who are in need of special assistance after making it to the campus.

"Basically they have the same problems every other student has, except magnified," Jensen said. "If you go to class and find out you have

Nixon's sandwich kept by Boy Scout

Associated Press

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. — A sandwich once bitten into by Richard M. Nixon is being preserved by an Illinois family.

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THE DAILY UNIVERSE

ASL is not accepted for GE credit

lack of support and cultural context cited as reasons

JURA F. JONES
The Daily Universe Staff Writer

BYU is the only major institution in which has an American Sign Language (ASL) program. However, does not recognize ASL as a language that fulfills the general education extra-major skill requirement.

According to general education department records there are three reasons ASL is not accepted for the extra-major skill:

Lack of support from a BYU department. ASL classes are currently offered through Continuing Education in conjunction with the Linguistics Department.

Study of ASL does not provide

the insight into language and cultural context needed for a program. BYU currently offers ASL courses which range up to 450 level. This is beyond the 301 required for study of GE languages but, because of the nature of ASL, its academic level is not strictly comparable to that of other languages.

Comparability to natural languages. There are a number of theoretical questions still under dispute about the comparability of ASL to natural languages.

Ray L. Baird, a linguistics professor at BYU who favors ASL being right for GE credit, said, "The posi-



BYU students learn sign language through the many ASL courses offered on campus. ASL currently does not fulfill the GE language requirement.

tion of the GE committee is that all GE languages must go beyond learning discrete language skills to learning the culture that underlies the language . . . the ASL community is viewed by many as being nothing more than a subculture of English."

However, Baird went on to say that he believes ASL should be recognized

school now has a deaf president for the first time.

A deaf actress, Marlee Matlin, received an Academy Award for her role in "Children of a Lesser God." (The play itself was originally written for the Theater for the Deaf.)

Although there is a common view that ASL is a signed counterpart to English, Baird said ASL is more than a code for English. There are a variety of ways of communicating through sign ranging from manual signed spelling through intermediate sign systems to American Sign Language, which has its own syntax and morphology.

Recently, the Christian Science Monitor reported Harlan Lane, a professor of psychology at Northeastern University, as saying that the single most important event in deaf liberation was when a professor at Gallaudet, Dr. William C. Stokoe Jr., discovered that sign language has the properties all languages share: grammar, vocabulary, dialects and registers.

Within the past few years several universities have recognized ASL as a foreign language. These universities include Harvard, Princeton, Northeastern, the University of Boston and the University of Minnesota.

Additionally, the state legislatures of Texas and Maine recognize ASL as a foreign language.

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Florida couple postpones honeymoon; deputy arrests groom after ceremony

Associated Press

deputy had ticketed him in the past. Cook put that out of his mind and performed his first wedding.

But Jackson's explanation stuck in the back of his mind, Cook said.

"I ran a computer check on Jackson, and I couldn't believe it when it came back," the deputy said. "He had three outstanding warrants pending, for what else — failing to show up on court on the tickets I wrote him."

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Reeling
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Rick Moody

Memories of Me

A better-than-expected father and son reconciliation drama. *Billy Crystal is the wisecracking son, a surgeon who has a heart attack in the operating room and finds himself suddenly given to not-so-fond reminiscence of dear old Dad (Alan King). A sense of responsibility moves him to set out for a reluctant visit which illuminates reason for his ambivalence: Dad is a charming, but self-obsessed character who barely acknowledges his son. A career movie extra, his attention-getting antics cause the chagrined Crystal to refer to him as a "professional embarrassment" who cares nothing for his son, while King insists he was simply "miscalled in the role of father."*

Because the son walks into the situation with years of resentment on his shoulders — ready for a fight — while the father is as oblivious and insensitive as ever, the two reach an angry impasse early on, which renders their subsequent skirmishes

and momentary truces even more interesting. From this point, the filmmakers very carefully illustrate the efforts of a father and son to sift through the scars and recriminations to forge a relationship, managed largely through sheer time spent together which offers them shared experience and close mutual observation leading to understanding and acceptance.

Said voyage is carefully, insightfully handled by all involved under the Henry "the Fonz" Winkler in his directorial debut, and punctuated with a succession of great one-liners between Crystal and old pro King who steals every scene. Script commendations go to Eric Roth and co-writer Crystal who also plays this just right throughout, but we were already favorably impressed with his "Throw Momma from the Train."

On the negative end, the truly versatile Jobeth Williams (striking in TV's "Baby M" and "Murder Ordained") is terribly miscast here, as Crystal's love interest, sharing no chemistry whatsoever with him. Too the script pushes dramatically the limits of the PG-13 rating with the inclusion of a few expletives and a rather graphic pre-sex romp twixt Crystal and Williams.

Overall, however, Winkler deserves much credit for this trauma-drama which is well worth seeing despite the aforementioned flaws.



Surgeon son, *Billy Crystal*, shares a drink with his on-screen, career-long movie extra dad *Alan King*, in "Memories of Me."

photo courtesy of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer

Taming of the Shrew

The first view of Kate in Franco Zeffirelli's "The Taming of the Shrew" is an extreme close-up of Liz Taylor's violet eyes glaring at us through a window. With this image, Zeffirelli establishes the perfect tongue-in-cheek tone for this adaptation of Shakespeare's love war. Fresh from her much-deserved Oscar win for "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?" Liz integrates elements of the lusty barracuda Martha into the role of Kate opposite Richard Burton's Petruchio and the result is a delightfully bawdy romp as we see the two fight to the death to see if Burton can tame and woo the forward Kate into a proper wife. (Through Saturday at the International Cinema.)

Success is often hard found for writers

By CYNTHIA WICKS
University Staff Writer

Frustration and discouragement are a part of life for writers submitting work for publication, but according to BYU alumna who has had work published, the rejection should be used as "time to concentrate on getting better."

Barbara Hume, who enrolled at BYU in the doctoral program in 1975, said writers tend to forget two important points when their work is not accepted by a publisher.

The first, according to Hume, is that rejection means you have more time to improve and work harder on your material.

The second is that "all experienced writers have been turned down at least once, which gives hope to unpublished writers," according to Hume.

According to Glenn Anderson, a writer who specifically writes for members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, once the first material has been published, it is always easier to be published a second time.

A 1977 BYU graduate and author of "The Millennial File" and "The Doomsday Factor," Anderson said his first short novel was rejected several times before finally being picked up by Horizon Publishing.

"Horizon took my second novel, 'The Doomsday Factor,' immediately because I had already started to establish a reputation and they liked my work," said Anderson.

He said becoming a writer who is good enough to be published sometimes takes more effort and time than it is financially worth.

International clearinghouse centered at BYU

By JAYNE PETERSEN
University Staff Writer

One thousand members from the United States and all over the world in areas of business, research, manufacturing, government and educational professions are members of an international clearinghouse of information located at BYU.

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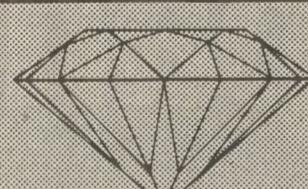
"The purpose of CALICO is to disseminate information among members of the profession who are involved with technology in learning languages," said Mike Bissenger, administrative assistant of CALICO.

"We help educators work together to advance knowledge in the field of language instruction. Mainly what we deal with is information. We try to coordinate the efforts of someone who is working on the West Coast with someone who is working on the East Coast," said Bissenger.

Last May, CALICO held its first satellite teleconference on the topic of emerging technology and modern language instruction, based out of Chico State, Calif. "We had between 30,000 and 35,000 people watching," said Bissenger. "It was quite successful. We will have two more this year."

CALICO sponsors annual symposia. These are conferences where demonstrations, panels, presentations, exhibits and workshops are provided for participants at all levels of expertise.

According to Bissenger, the symposia are held at many different sites in the United States and throughout the world, including places like West Germany, England and Japan.

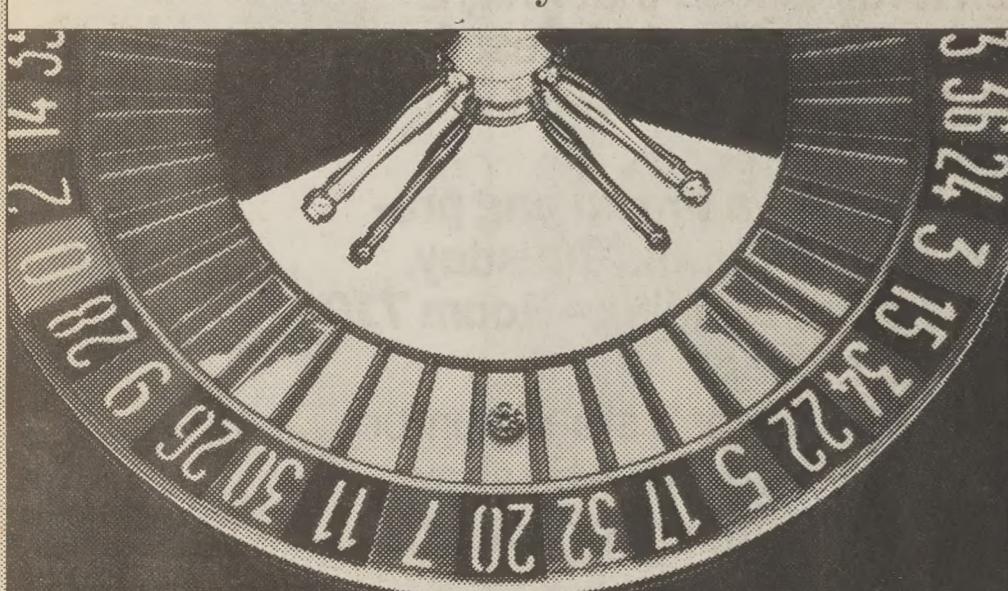


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Rivera has trouble with censors over upcoming Satanism special

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changes that we consider appropriate," Rivera said.

NBC spokeswoman Rosen Keenan said talks between Rivera and network censors were continuing. Rivera had hoped the show would include graphic descriptions of satanic murders and other rituals.

Rivera said Thursday he is so unhappy with network censors that he may broadcast blank pictures Tuesday night rather than make more cuts in his two-hour special, "Devil Worship: Exposing Satan's Underground." "We're going to make the

"NBC hired me to bring the viewer into the belly of this beast," he said. "If you sanitize it to make it more palatable to the network censors, then you do violence to the truth of our opinion," Rivera said.

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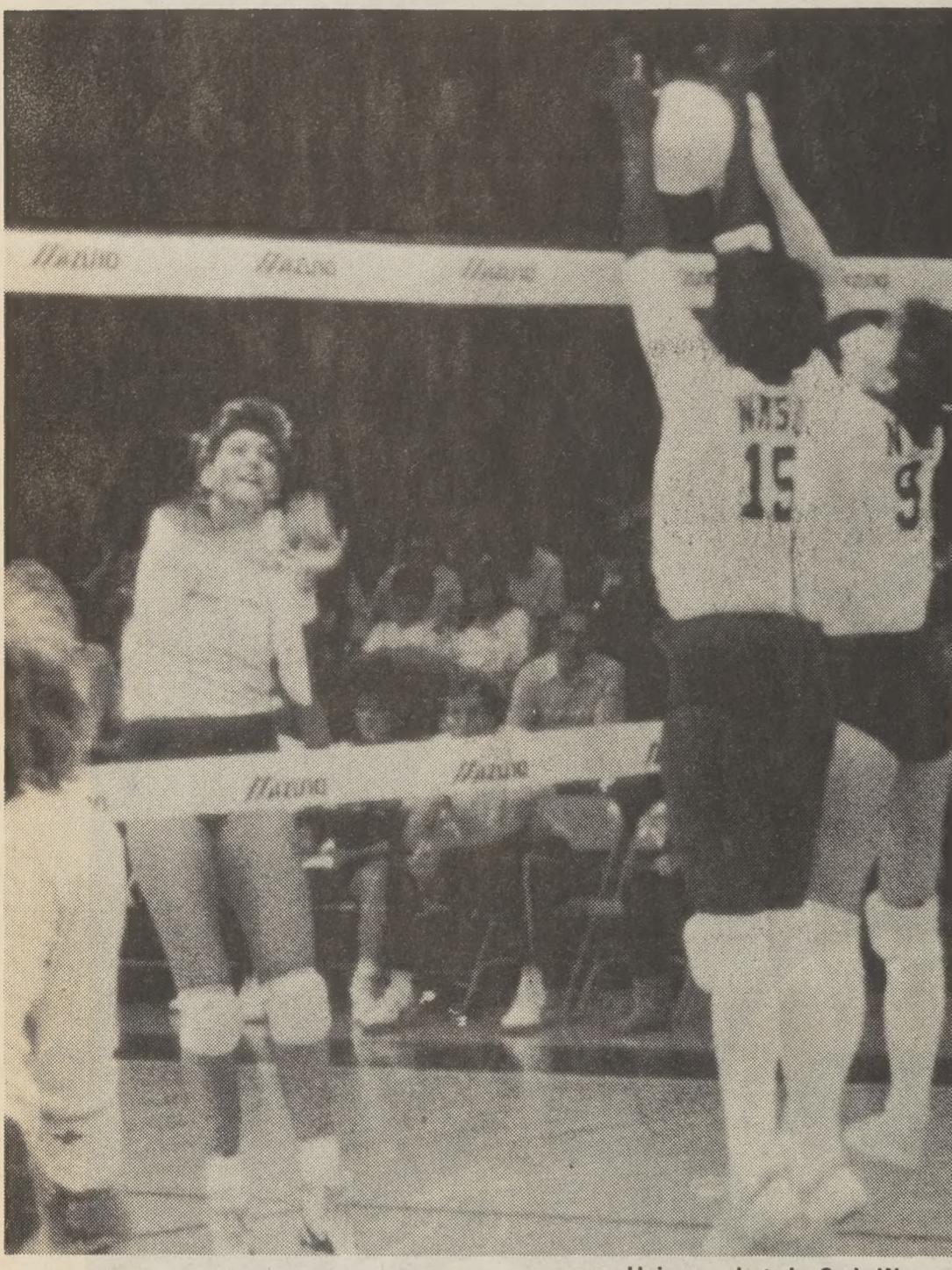
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SPORTS

Spikers avenge loss; down Roadrunners



BYU's Dylann Duncan hits through the block of two New Mexico State defenders. BYU won the match in four games.

Cougars beat 'bows in 24-23 squeaker

Associated Press

HONOLULU — BYU's Marc Neal stopped Heikoti Fakava's two-point conversion attempt with 2:23 remaining Saturday night to help the Cougars hold off a late Rainbows' rally and win, 24-23.

Hawaii trailed 24-10 with 6:49 left when the Rainbows began their comeback.

BYU's Rodney Rice muffed a Hawaii punt and, shortly after, a 26-yard pass from Warren Jones to Chris Roscoe set up a two-yard run by Fakava. The one-point conversion cut BYU's lead to seven points.

The Rainbows then went with an on-side kick and Terry Whitaker recovered on BYU's 43-yard line.

The Cougars looked as if they would hold the Rainbows but Jones threw a 38-yard touchdown to Roscoe on a fourth-and-five, bringing Hawaii to within a point.

Hawaii decided to go for the win instead of the tie but Fakava was stopped on a run. Fakava finished as the leading rusher for the game, rushing for 126 yards on 26 carries.

BYU raised its record to 6-1 and 3-1 in the Western Athletic Conference while Hawaii dropped to 5-2 and 3-2 in the WAC.

Cougar reserve quarterback Ty Detmer threw a 71-yard touchdown pass to Chuck Cutler to give the Cougars their two-touchdown lead. Cutler has now scored a touchdown in every game and finished against Hawaii with 133 yards on five receptions.

Detmer had replaced Sean Covey, who strained his right knee in the second quarter. Covey left the game with 10 completions for 130 yards and no interceptions. Detmer finished with five completions for 132 yards.

The Cougar defense held Jones to only seven completions on 26 attempts and 117 yards.

GAME #7

BYU vs. Hawaii

GAME STATS

Brigham Young 3 14 0 7-24
Hawaii 3 0 7 13-23

UH - FG Elam 34
BYU - FG Chaffetz 19
BYU - McBeth 3 pass from Covey (Chaffetz kick)
BYU - Salido 22 pass from Covey (Chaffetz kick)
UH - Mahuka 19 pass from Jones (Elam kick)
BYU - Cutler 71 pass from Detmer (Chaffetz kick)
UH - Fakava 2 run (Elam kick)
UH - Roscoe 38 pass from Jones (run failed)

BYU UH
First downs 18 19
Rushes-yards 38-113 52-257
Passing yards 262 117
Return Yards 17 4
Comp-Att-Int 15-26-0 7-26-2
Punts 6-42 7-40
Fumbles-Lost 3-2 2-1
Penalties-Yards 9-70 11-94
Possession 27:00 33:00

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS
Rushing-BYU, Bellini 13-74, Salido 6-43, Whittingham 7-26. UH, Fakava 26-126, Jones 21-109. Passing-BYU, Covey 10-16-0-130, Detmer 5-10-0-132. UH, Jones 7-26-117. Receiving-BYU, Cutler 5-133, Handley 2-46, J. Frandsen 2-29, McBeth 1-3. UH, Roscoe 4-88, Mahuka 2-33.

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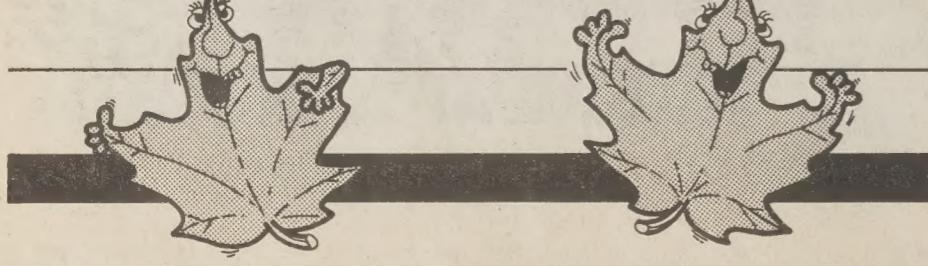
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By SHARI LYNN COX
University Sports Writer

After losing a tough match to the University of New Mexico Thursday, the BYU women's volleyball team rallied and came up with their fifth conference win Saturday.

The Cougars beat the New Mexico State Roadrunners 15-13, 13-15, 15-13, 15-6.

"They are one of the best serving

and defensive teams we have played all year," said Coach Elaine Michaelis. According to Michaelis the team had a tough time against the Roadrunners' serving.

Senior All-American middle blocker Dylann Duncan had an excellent match, with a personal high 35 kills and a hitting percentage of .525.

The Cougars are still having problems with injuries. Sophomore middle blocker Marinda Gorbahn struggled

in the first game and sat out most of the second. But, according to Michaelis, when she came back in she was ready to play and her blocking was especially good.

Duncan, bothered by the tendonitis in her leg, asked to be taken out late in the match. Michaelis said this was unusual and "you know she was hurting."

The Cougars played tough, hitting .297 as a team, and held the Roadrunners to .165. Senior All-American outside hitter Jill Plumb was second on the team with 12 kills, eight defensive digs and one service ace.

Junior middle blocker Stephanie Trane and junior outside hitter Jan Giles both had quite a show on defense with 12 digs apiece. Giles had two service aces and Trane had one. Duncan again topped the list with four service aces.

The Cougars play next in the UCLA Conference Challenge in Los Angeles, Calif. BYU takes on UCLA, Colorado State and the University of Southern California.

JV squad evens record at three with win over Air Force

By BRENT BROWN
University Sports Writer

The BYU junior varsity football team rode on the arm of a new quarterback to even their record at 3-3, with a 29-11 victory over the Air Force junior varsity, Friday in Colorado Springs.

Freshman Mark Hadfield took advantage of his first opportunity to quarterback the Kittens by passing for 320 yards and two touchdowns. Hadfield also rushed for another 100 yards.

The Air Force scored first on a early field goal, but then Falcon mistakes let BYU back into the game. The Falcons fumbled on their own 32-yard-line to set up a touchdown pass from Hadfield to Kirk Holle and a 7-3 BYU lead.

On the ensuing kick-off, BYU caught the Air Force sleeping with an on-side kick. BYU recovered the kick and drove 53 yards for the score on Hadfield's 10-yard run taking a 14-3 lead.

Hadfield started the second half

the Cougars up with a Jason Chaffetz 19-yard field goal.

The three points came after BYU failed to score on two plays from the two-yard line.

BYU, aided by a 21-yard pass from Covey to Darren Handley, scored with 11:45 remaining in the half to go ahead 10-3 on Covey's three-yard pass to Travis McBeth.

Covey threw 22 yards to Mike Salido to cap a five-play, 54-yard drive on the Cougars' next possession for the 17-3 halftime lead.

BYU missed two more scoring opportunities before the first half ended.

Hawaii defensive tackle Joe Seumalo recovered a Cougars' fumble on the Hawaii one-yard line after a mishandled snap and Chaffetz missed a 35-yard field goal on the final play of the half.

The Heat scored one more time to go ahead, 4-2.

The Cougars did not let down and two minutes later Mike Bodon, junior midfielder from Joplin, Mo., had his team within one goal but time ran out and the score remained 4-3.

Utah Heat Coach Tony Escobar said about the game, "They (BYU) are awesome."

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Washington 20, Green Bay 17
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Cleveland 29, Phoenix 21

A loss to Don Leaycraft of L.A. Saturday knocked BYU's Da Harkness out of the consolation round of the Volvo College Tennis Championships in Athens, Ga.

Harkness, ranked 30th in nation, was unable to pull off an upset, losing to Leaycraft, ranked No. 19. The tournament involving 32 of the top NC players, concluded Sunday.

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Brain dominance affects learning

Genes, environment determine use of different quadrants

NICKI WILSON
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verse Staff Writers

you can't seem to understand what the teacher is talking about, it means that you're using a different part of your brain to learn than another is using to teach, according to a BYU professor who studies dominance.

Lilis Banks, professor of physical education, said, "Each student or person uses his brain in a very unique and, because of genes or the environment, has developed the use of a part of the brain that he is most comfortable with."

Banks said that some students are said as being learning disabled in reality they have an inability in the way educators and parents teach.

In 1981, the Nobel Prize was given to Roger Sperry for developing a surgical procedure for cutting the corpus callosum of the brain as a method for curing seizures of epileptics. In doing this, Sperry found proof that the brain is made up of parts which have own assignments for body functions.

Banks has used this information in dividing the brain into four separate quadrants, not just the left/right halves.

The cerebral left is in charge of logical thinking, analysis of facts and processing numbers. The cerebral right is in charge of visualization, daydreaming and conceptualization. The limbic left (or left) controls planning, organizing facts and detailed reviews. The limbic right (or lower right) controls gut reactions, sensory response and internal relations.

Special education students have a cerebral right side, according to Banks. They use most of the right side of the brain and some lower right but not any left. These students need a visual picture in order to learn. They have a problem with

BRAIN DOMINANCE

Cerebral Left

- Logical thinking
- Analysis of facts
- Processing numbers

Cerebral Right

- Visualization
- Daydreaming
- Conceptualization

Limbic Left

- Planning approach
- Organizing facts
- Detailed Review

Limbic Right

- Gut Reaction
- Sensory Response
- Interpersonal relations

Universe graphic by Cindy Williams

and calmness of mind provide the best learning to take place in a student's brain.

Stress is the biggest factor which disturbs learning, said Banks. Students should learn how to relax themselves when they are stressed.

Listening to alpha music (which is 60 beats or less a minute like Mozart), breathing fresh air, exercising and developing good habits are ways to relax, he said.

Recent studies and books have shown that intelligent learners use a very small part of the brain during the learning process, said Banks.

Also according to Banks, the brain is capable of dual or parallel processing which means students can read and listen at the same time and have a long term memory of what was said and read.

When the right and left sides of a person's brain are working together, learning is easier because the brain does not have to use as much effort as when only one side of the brain is being used.

A problem arises, said Banks, because most students are single-side processors and do not know how to utilize both sides.

The Herrmann Instrument is a test that determines which quadrant of the brain an individual uses the most. This test can also help students choose an occupation that they would be happy with.

A cerebral left individual has greater capability to become a statistician, engineer, computer programmer, medical doctor, chemist or mathematician. A cerebral right individual has greater capability to become an artist, sculptor, poet, inventor or psychiatrist.

A limbic left individual has greater capability to become a biologist, planner, accountant, administrator or manufacturer. A limbic right individual has greater capability to become a nurse, writer, musician, social worker or sociologist.

math, spelling and science because they are given the facts first before the concept as a whole is explained. Their favorite word in school is "boring."

A whole-brained learner, one who uses all four quadrants of the brain, is gifted in everything he does. He can relate to any teaching style and to any teacher, said Banks. Selecting a major is hard for him because he has interest in everything. Most of these types of learners are in the field of law.

A limbic right (or lower right) brained learner needs to relate school to everyday life. He is controlled by his emotions and needs to have a positive self-image to learn well. Banks said the word "perfectionist" describes this person best.

Banks said studies have shown that self-worth

changed over the years. In 1886, it was the ability to sign one's name (that's still true in many third-world countries). In 1940, it meant completing the sixth grade — something only 11 percent of the population achieved.

By those standards, the picture for young white Americans today is far better. In 1986, the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) found that 94 percent of the white respondents aged 21 to 25 read at least at the level of fourth-grade students. And 80 percent read at or above the eighth-grade level.

But that leaves 20 percent who don't achieve the reading proficiency of eighth-grade students; and the rates for blacks and minorities was even bleaker. An eighth-grade reading competence is today's accepted standard for literacy. That's what you need to read the instructions on a TV dinner.

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According to the 1986 NAEP study, young minorities were the ones most in need. "You see a disproportional representation by minorities," says Irwin Kirsch, an NAEP research scientist. "We predict that illiteracy will get worse and we'll have a society more divided along racial and economic lines if we just maintain the status quo."

Jeanne S. Chall, director of the Reading Laboratory at Harvard University, who has been studying how people learn to read for 40 years, notes that communities and the federal government have not been supporting schools as they have in the past.

But some people question those figures.

"The census form for literacy has 20 questions. Miss one, and you're termed illiterate," says Peter Gerber, director of education programs at MacArthur Foundation, which funds studies and projects on illiteracy.

"It's not a black or white issue," he said. "Many illiterate people have jobs, families, own their own homes."

Part of the problem is in defining illiteracy itself. The definition has

schools' fault. But there are other factors, too. Because it's so hard to pinpoint, let's move on and do something about it."

The government, business world, news media, educators and private agencies are all doing something about it, sometimes together. Tutoring projects can be found in storefront programs and YMCAs in many cities. Business, concerned about the dearth of qualified workers for entry-level jobs, is sponsoring both in-house and community literacy programs.

Since illiteracy is rapidly becoming an intergenerational program, many in the field are finding it necessary to work with the whole family. "There's a very well-established relationship between a mother's education and a kid's performance in school," says Chall. In April, Congress approved the Even Start education program, a \$50-million-a-year program that seeks to integrate early-childhood education and adult education into single programs.

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The Daily Universe

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Kangaroo attack injures Aussie man

Associated Press

MELBOURNE, Australia — A man required 30 stitches after being attacked by a kangaroo at a popular camping area. "I believe it was capable of killing," the victim said.

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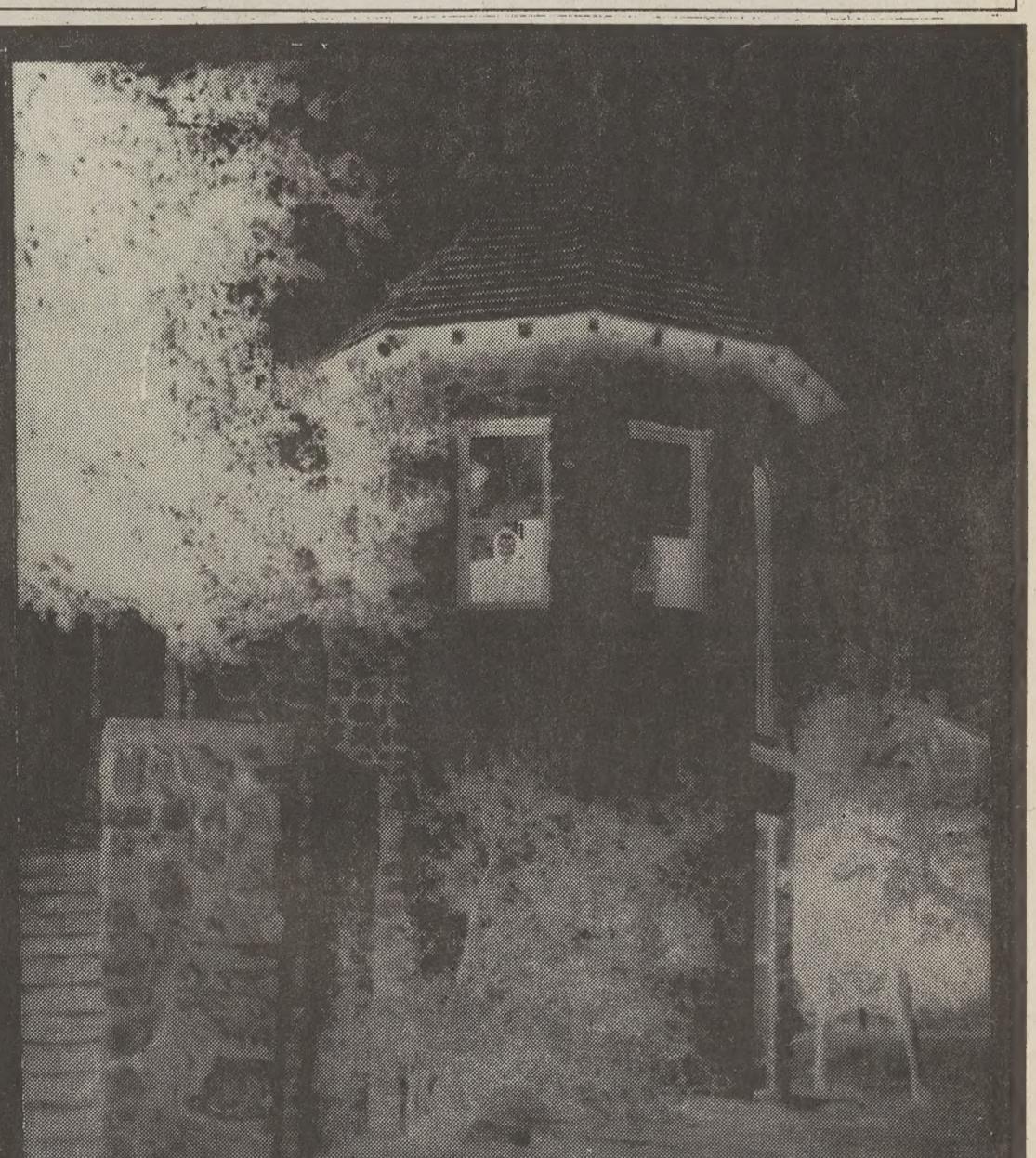
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Campus and state agencies provide aid for the disabled

By ELIZA TANNER
University Staff Writer

Handicapped students at BYU may receive help through BYU's Disabled Student Support, the Counseling and Development Center and various state agencies.

Specific services are available for the mobility impaired, the learning disabled, and the visually and hearing impaired. Disabled Student Support helps 100 to 150 people each semester in these four areas.

Norm Roberts, a counselor in BYU's Counseling and Development Center said, "We provide them with counseling to help them compensate for their disability."

Currently BYU has no separate admission requirements for handicapped students, said the official statement of Disabled Student Support.

"Handicapped students are . . . obligated to meet all general education, university and major course requirements. Course requirements may be amended in the instance of a physical disability which prevents participation, such as physical education requirements for severely mobility-impaired students."

Students with learning disabilities exhibit a disorder in one or more of the processes involved in understanding or using spoken or written languages.

Learning disabilities are not physically apparent and so may be almost an "invisible disability," said Terri Jensen, adviser for Disabled Student Support.

Learning disabilities may include perceptual handicaps, brain injury, minimal brain dysfunction, dyslexia and developmental aphasia. Jensen compared dyslexia to "reading a book through a lace curtain with a mirror."

Jensen said "you cannot be developmentally disabled and learning disabled at the same time. They are mutually exclusive groups."

Once students have been diagnosed as having a learning disability, they "find out that they are quite bright, but just have an alternate learning style," said Jensen.

For such students, Disabled Student Support provides free assessment, study rooms and lockers in the library, taped textbooks when arranged prior to the beginning of the semester and coordination with the state Division of Rehabilitation Services.

"We usually see a predominant learning disability and indications of secondary learning disabilities," said Jensen.

Jerry Springer, a vocational rehabilitation counselor at the Division of Rehabilitation Services in Provo, said he receives a number of BYU students as referrals.

"If BYU refers someone to me, it is usually related to reading" disabilities, said Springer.

After the rehabilitation center receives the referral, the student with the learning disability must complete an application.

The rehabilitation center then gathers psychological information relating to the disability. A test such as

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— Official statement
Disabled Student Support

the Woodcock-Johnson evaluation tells where problems or discrepancies exist.

These tests determine what grade level someone is at in math and reading, said Springer.

In order for the state rehabilitation center to help someone, the disability "has to be a vocational disability," or a disability that interferes with their ability to work, said Springer.

"After we receive the psychological and medical information, then we need to know about the general health," Springer said.

If all the criteria is met, then the rehabilitation begins testing vocational interest and aptitude, said Springer.

"We compare all these things and then give them some kind of direction," said Springer.

Although "our primary function is job placement," said Springer, the Division of Rehabilitation Services does provide some financial aid and funding for tutors and attendants.

The rehabilitation center in Utah was originally started to help World War I veterans get retrained and enter the job market, said Springer.

Handicapped Student Services also helps students with mobility impairments.

Mobility impaired students may receive listings of accessible housing on and off campus, handicapped parking permits, wheelchair repair service and accessible seating at university events.

Visually impaired students can get mobility training through Rehabilitation Services for the Blind.

A person is defined as "blind" if his vision (after correction) is 20/200 in his better eye. A partially sighted person has vision in his better eye of less than 20/70 but better than 20/200.

Other services include Visualtex enlarging systems and Braille in library study rooms and talking calculators in the HBLL Learning Resource Center.

The Disabled Student Services coordinates sign language services for hearing impaired students and regular showings of captioned films. They also provide interpreter services for forums, devotionals and firesides.

"We focus on counseling students toward resources that are available to them," said Roberts.

"They didn't see how motivated I was. A person may have a lot of talent and pride, but the disability (in the eyes of others) overrides everything else." Fifteen years later, he was director of the same agency, and today travels all over the world as president of the World Institute of Disability, in Berkeley. And he has a 10-year-old son.

Roberts is one of the leaders of the disability rights movement, a growing band of activists with various disabilities who have joined together for greater political clout. Their goals are

Disability rights movement is entering the mainstream

Christian Science Monitor

BERKLEY, Calif. — Ed Roberts loves to tell the story of what happened when the doctor told his mother that her son, who had contracted polio, was severely disabled. She expressed relief at knowing he was going to live, he recounts, and "the doctor turned to her and said, 'How would you like to live in an iron lung? He'll be nothing more than a vegetable.'"

Roberts produces the punchline with a grin: "I'm proud to be here today as an artichoke. Prickly on the outside but with a big heart." He laughs, takes a breath of air from the portable air pack attached to his motorized wheelchair, then a sip of tea from a glass his attendant holds up, and plunges right back into the discussion.

"I was advised I'd never have a family or work," he said. Yet he attended the University of California, Berkeley, and organized several organizations dealing with the disabled. Ironically, when Roberts applied to the Department of Rehabilitation in California to train disabled people, he was turned down as being "too disabled."

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similar to those of the black and women's civil rights movements: to shatter stereotypes and societal barriers that bar their full participation.

"In the beginning, there was just a few hundred people who had a vision of civil rights for disabled people," says Mary Jane Owen, director of Disability Focus, Inc., in Washington, D.C., a non-profit consulting group. "Now we have hundreds of thousands of people. We're on the agenda."

According to census figures, there are 37 million people with disabilities in the United States. And this number is expected to grow as the population ages.

After years of little-noticed effort, the disability rights movement is emerging into the mainstream. People with disabilities occupy influential positions in government (16 are members of Congress).

Legislation has begun to remove architectural and occupational barriers, and activists are introducing a slate of new bills to further that progress.

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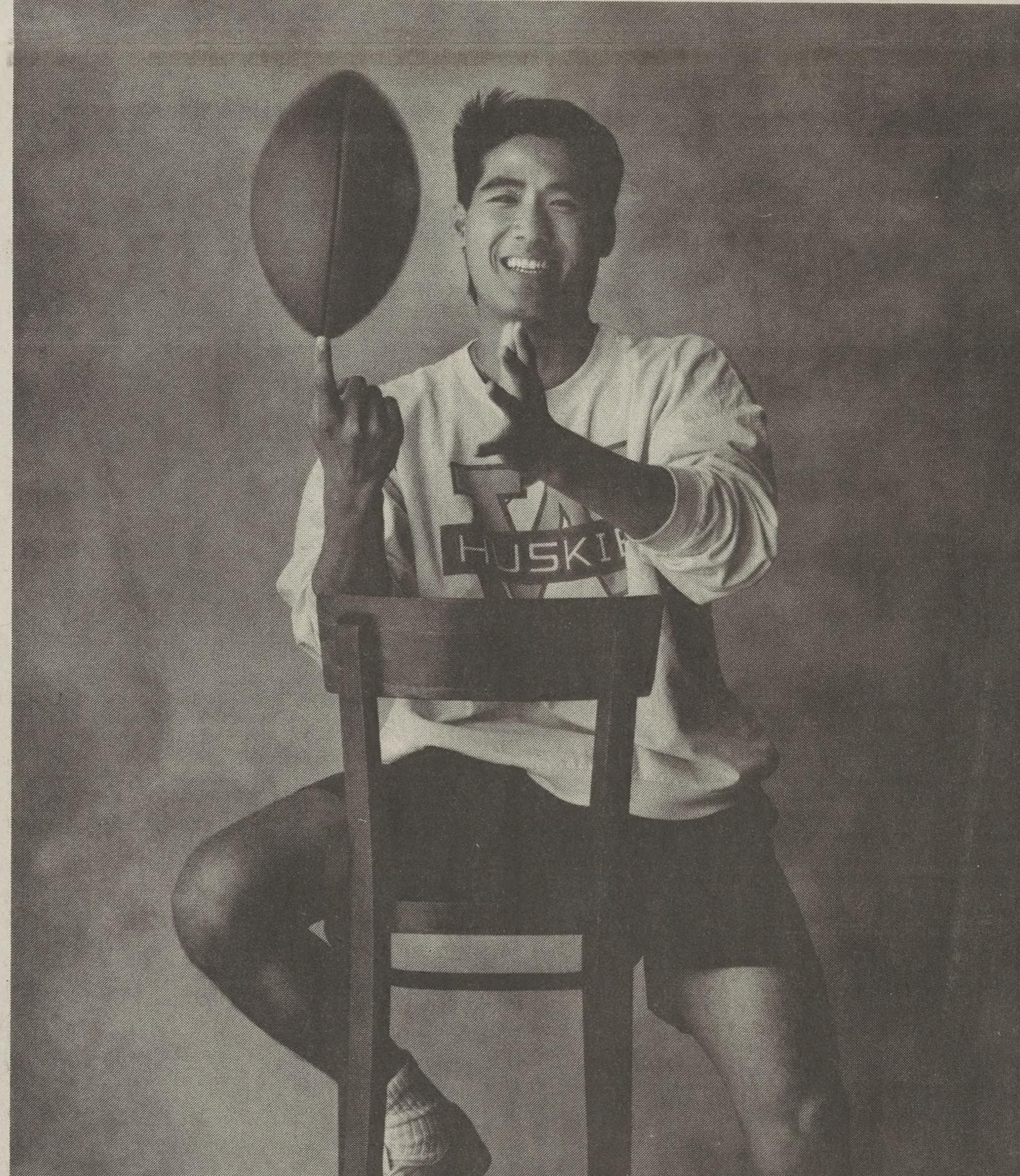
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